GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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NON- UTILISATION OF MACHINES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government Hospitals in the capital are not using modern machines or latest technology for various tests etc.;

(b) if so, whether the lastest machines gifted by WHO and other foreign agencies to the Government hospitals in the capital remain unused/unutilized;

(c) if so, the details of such machines lying idle and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any responsibility has been fixed in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) to (f) In Central Government Hospitals procurement of latest technology/newer equipment is an ongoing process and new modern/latest technology equipment are procured depending upon need/availability of resources. All machines received by these Central Government Hospitals from WHO and other foreign agencies are being utilized except a few very old equipment which have out-lived their useful life.